

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in this application.

The present application is being filed to pursue subject matter not covered or specifically claimed in the allowed claims of the parent application 09/979,765. Amendments have been made to the present specification which parallel amendments made and accepted in the parent application and to reference priority over the International Application.

Enclosed herewith in full compliance to 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 is a Substitute Sequence Listing to be inserted in the application. Applicants note that a disk copy of the Substitute Sequence Listing is required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825. The computer readable form (CRF) in the present new application is to be identical with the CRF of parent application serial number 09/979,765, submitted as file "0020-4935.txt. Accordingly, in lieu of filing a duplicate CFR in the present application, Applicants request that the USPTO use the CFR Sequence Listing that is already on file for the parent application.

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing in the new application is identical to the computer readable copy filed for parent application 09/979,765.

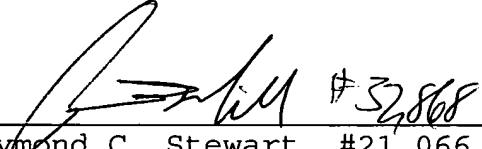
Conclusion

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Kecia J. Reynolds (Reg. No. 47,021) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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